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## PERSONAL NOTES.

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### AMERICA.

**Rutgers College.**—Professor Austin Scott was formally installed as President of Rutgers College in the early part of February. Dr. Scott was born in Ohio, and graduated at Yale in 1869. After spending a year at the University of Michigan, he went to Germany and studied at Leipzig and Berlin, hearing history with Mommsen, Overbeck, Lepsius, and Droysen, and economics with Roscher. He took his degree of Ph.D. at Leipzig in 1873 in history, political economy, and archæology. From 1871 to 1873 Dr. Scott was engaged with the late George Bancroft in the preparation of his historical work. From 1873 to 1875 he was instructor in German at the University of Michigan. Later, from 1875 to 1881, he was at work again with Bancroft, collecting and arranging materials for the latter's *History of the Constitution*. In 1883 Professor Scott was called to the chair of History, Political Economy, and Constitutional Law at Rutgers, which he has since held. During the illness of the late Prof. Johnston, of Princeton, part of his work was assumed by Prof. Scott. Under his care the work in these fields at Rutgers has grown in interest and importance, and his elevation to the Presidency of the College is the best evidence of the esteem in which he is held.

Dr. E. L. Stevenson has been appointed Instructor in History at Rutgers College.<sup>1</sup>

**William Jewell College.**—Dr. Charles Lee Smith has

<sup>1</sup> See ANNALS OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY, Vol. I., p. 478.

entered on the duties of Professor of History and Political Science at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. Professor Smith is a native of North Carolina. He took the degree of B.S. at Wake Forest College in 1884, and, after teaching one year in the Raleigh Male Academy, was engaged during 1885-86 as associate editor of the *Raleigh Recorder*. Entering Johns Hopkins University, he was a university scholar in 1886-87, and fellow in history and politics, 1887-88. The summer semester 1888 he spent at the University of Halle. Returning to Johns Hopkins, he took the degree of Ph.D. in 1889. From 1888-91 he was instructor of History at Johns Hopkins, resigning this position January, 1891, to go to his new field of work. He is the author of a monograph published by the United States Bureau of Education on the *History of Education in North Carolina*, and has been a contributor to *Science*, *The Dial*, and Baltimore and North Carolina papers. The Johns Hopkins University announces among its studies for 1891 a number entitled University Studies in Social Science, to which, among others, Professor Smith will contribute. His positions as Secretary of the Charity Organization Society of Baltimore and Assistant Secretary of the Conference of Charities and Corrections have given him special opportunities for study in this field.

## GERMANY.

**Breslau.**—Dr. Otto Gerlach entered the philosophical faculty at Breslau as Privat-docent for Political Economy in October, 1890. Dr. Gerlach was born at Angerburg, East Prussia, in 1862. After attendance at the Real-gymnasium in Insterburg, he began his university studies in 1881. After devoting himself to mathematics, natural science, and economics at Jena, Berlin, and Leipzig, he secured his degree, 1885, at Leipzig, *summa cum laude*. From 1886-88 he studied in Halle jurisprudence and philosophy. Then, devoting his time to theoretical econom-

ics, he entered the faculty at Breslau on October 31, 1890. His principal publications are :

Der Fleischkonsum Leipzigs nach amtlichen Quellen zusammengestellt, 1885. (Conrad's Jahrbuch, N. F., Vol. XI.)

Die Preisbildung des Fleisches zu Halle a. d. S., 1888. (Schriften des Vereins für Sozialpolitik.)

Die berufsmässige Krediterkundigung in Deutschland, 1890. (Conrad's Jahrbuch, N. F., Vol. XX.)

Ueber die Bedingungen wirtschaftlicher Thätigkeit. Kritische Erörterungen zu den Wertlehren von Marx, Knies, Schaffle, und Wieser. Jena, 1890. (Heft 5, Bd. III., Staatswissenschaftlichen Studien, edited by Elster.)

**Charlottenburg.**—Dr. Ludwig Gessner, a writer on public and international law, died at Charlottenburg in December last in his 62d year. On completing his legal studies he occupied a post in the Prussian ministry of war, 1863–67. From 1868, until his retirement on account of ill-health in 1874, he was in the ministry of foreign affairs. He devoted much time to scientific study, and gave himself up to it wholly after his retirement. His chief work, published in Berlin, 1876, is entitled *Le droit des neutres sur mer*. Besides numerous contributions to periodicals, he was the author of the following monographs :

Das Recht des neutralen Seehandels, 1855.

Zur Reform des Kriegs-Seerechts, 1875.

Kriegführende und neutrale Mächte, 1877.

**Heidelberg.**—Professor Georg Jellinek, of the University of Basel, has accepted a call as ordinary Professor of Public and International Law, at Heidelberg, to the chair vacant through the death of Professor von Blumerincq. He will enter on his duties with the summer semester. To the list of Professor Jellinek's works already published in the ANNALS,<sup>1</sup> there should be added the important articles on "Bauernbefreiung in Oesterreich" and "Budgetrecht," contributed to the *Handwörterbuch der Staatswissenschaften*.

<sup>1</sup> See ANNALS OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY, Vol. I., p. 143.